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Gerster or Castor Arms.

GERSTER, OF BASLE, Switzerland, as described in a letter to Richard Allen Martin, (14) from Dr. John Gerster, of Basle, written September 1906.

Arms: Gules a saltire or. in chief an estoile of the last.

Crest: A man's bust and head clothed gules in a pointed cap or., face and hair proper.

In Rietstrap's "*Armorial General*" the Arms are described as follows :

Arms: De gu a deux batons potences passes en saut la potence en haut acc. en chef d' un etoile entre les batons le tovt d' or.

Crest: Un buste d'homme, hab. de gu; coiffe d' un bonnet point du me-me, d' or.

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Ancestry of George M. Castor

1. **John Gerster,** b. City of Basle, Switzerland.

2. **John George Castor,** b. March 5, 1710, in Basle; m. in Switzerland, Eve ———; d. Oxford township, Penna. Dec. 29, 1797. Came to America 1737 in the ship "Princess Augusta," Samuel Merchant, Master, and is down on the ship's list as Hans George Gerster. On the old Church records his name is written John George Castor. He purchased, March 10, 1762, 202 acres in the Oxford Township, on which property he lived until his death. In the deed he is styled as "of Germantown." He and his wife are buried in the Presbyterian church yard in Frankford.

3. **George Castor,** b. Dec. 14th, 1636, in Germantown; m. Margaret Satterlee; d. May 25, 1811, Oxford township. Int. Presbyterian church yard, Frankford.

4. **Matthias Castor,** b. Oct. 14, 1766, Oxford Township; m. Rebecca Johnson, April 8, 1792; d.———.
Matthias served in Continental Army at Yorktown 1783. His oldest son Samuel was a General in the Penna, Militia. (Samuel, b. 1778, d. 1855.) Both Matthias and Samuel are in the Presbyterian church yard with their forefathers.

5. **William Castor,** b. May 26, 1797, Oxford Township; m. March 26, 1821, Elizabeth Northrup; d.———.
Moved to Holmesburg, where he became the ancestor of the Castor Family of that town.

6. **George Matthias Castor,** b. Dec. 25, 1830, in Holmesburg; m. July 13, 1854, Mary Elizabeth Mills; d. May 16, 1880, Holmesburg; Int. Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Northrup.

1. **Joseph Northup,** b. in England; m. Mary Norton in Milford, Conn.; d. Sept 11, 1669 in Milford. Joseph came to America in 1637 and settled in Milford, 1639.

2. **Joseph Northrup,** b. Aug. 9, 1649 in Milford; d. May 1700; Freeman May 12, 1670.

3. **James Northrup,** bap. Jan. 1693 in Milford; m. Hannah Hyne. Bought lands in Ridgefield Conn., 1714, 1715, 1721 and 1727.

4. **Nathan Northrup,** b. May 30, 1721 in Ridgefield, Conn.; m. 1st Eunice ———; m. 2nd Lydia Mills.

5. **David W. Northrup,** bap. July 29, 1798, in Ridgefield.

6. **Elizabeth Northrup,** b. May 29, 1798, in Ridgefield; m. William Castor; d. April 22, 1861.

Ancestry of Mary E. Mills.

1. **Adam Mills.**

2. **George Mills,** b. England; m. Elizabeth Lees. Came to America about the year 1827 and settled near Holmesburg, Pa.

3. **Joseph Mills,** b. 1816 in England; m. Hannah Burrage 1837; d. 1879 Holmesburg, Pa.; Int. North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

4. **Mary Elizabeth Mills,** b. Feb 19, 1838. Holmesburg; m. George M. Castor; d. Mar. 17, 1891, Stonyhurst, Holmesburg, Pa.

Burrage.

1. **Robert Burrage,** b. Seething, Norfolk, Eng. Circa 1490; d. 1559, Seething.

2. **Richard Burrage,** b. Seething.

3. **Thomas Burrage,** b. Feb. 28, 1581, Norton Subcourse; m. Aug. 19, 1606, Frances Dey; d. Mar. 2, 1632.

4. **John Burrage,** b. Apr. 10, 1616, Norton Subcourse; m. Joanna Stowers; d. Oct. 19, 1685, Charlestown, Mass. Settled in Charlestown, Mass., 1632.

5. **William Burrage,** b. June 10, 1657, in Boston; m. Sarah ———? d. 1720, in Boston.

6. **John Burrage,** b. Feb. 11, 1693, Charlestown; m. Oct. 9, 1718, Lydia Ward, (See Ward Gen.); d. Jan. 24, 1765, Newton, Mass.

7. **William Burrage,** b. Newton, Mass.; m. Dec. 13, 1744, Hannah Osland; d. Oct. 13, 1763.

8. **John Burrage,** b. Aug. 29, 1755; m. May 10, 1781, Lois Barthrick; d. July 2, 1822.

John Burrage was styled "of Lunenburg and Concord." Enlisted in Fourth Foot Company, April 17, 1775, fought at both the battles of Concord and Lexington. The Decendants of John Burrage are entitled to membership in either the Sons or Daughters of the Revolution.

9. Thomas Burrage, b. April 22, 1782; d. Oct. 13, 18-0.

10. Hannah Burrage, b. June 11, 1818; m. Joseph Mills; d. 1889; Int. North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Decendants of George M. Castor and Mary E. Mills.

1. **Hon. George A. Castor,** b. Aug. 3, 1856, Holmesburg; m. Katharine Duffy, d. Nov. 16, 1902, Holmesburg; Int. Episcopal church yard, in Holmesburg.

2. **Mary Castor,** b. May 3, 1858, Holmesburg; m. May 3, 1878, Lemuel Ball; d. Nov. 16, 1902, Wissinoming; Int. North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

3. **Nellie Mills Castor,** b. April 3, 1864, Holmesburg; m. 1st Dec. 6, 1883, Dr. Richard Allen Martin, a Decendant of the Martins of Ballinahinch, Co. Down, Ireland, who came to America from Bolton-C-Moors, Lancashire, England in 1827. (See Martin chart.) m. 2nd Wm. H. Allardyce of Galveston, Texas.

4. **Morton Castor,** b. Aug. 3, 1866, Holmesburg; d. Aug. 3, Holmesburg 1869; Int. Cedar Hill Cemetery.

8. **Morton Castor,** b. April 30, 1876, Holmesburg.

9. **Katharine Castor,** b. Feb. 8, 1878, Holmesburg.

10. **George Matthias Castor,** b. 1879, Holmesburg; d. June 9, 1894, Holmesburg; Int. North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

11. **Estelle Castor,** b. November 1889, Holmesburg; m. George Rommell; living in Germantown.

12. **Nellie Castor Ball,** b. May 16, 1878, Tacony, Pa.; m. May 31, 1907, Samuel Oldham; living in Wissinoming, Pa.

13. **George Castor Martin,** b. March 30, 1885, New York City; m. Sept. 22, 1906, Asbury Park, New Jersery, Mildred Comegys of the Maryland family of that name. Both members of the Sons and Daughters of the Revolution respectively. Vice-Commodore U. S. V. L. S. C.

14. **Richard Allen Martin,** b. Oct. 14 1886, New York City; d. Dec. 20, 1908, Jacksonville, Fla. Interment North Cedar Hill Cemetery. Richard Allen Martin was a member of the Sons of the Revolution Monmouth County Historical Society; Ex Libris Society of London, Frankford Historical Society, and others.

20 **Natalie Rommel,** b. 1909, Germantown.

21. **Richard Allen Allardyce Martin,** b. July 15, 1907, Asbury Park, N. J.

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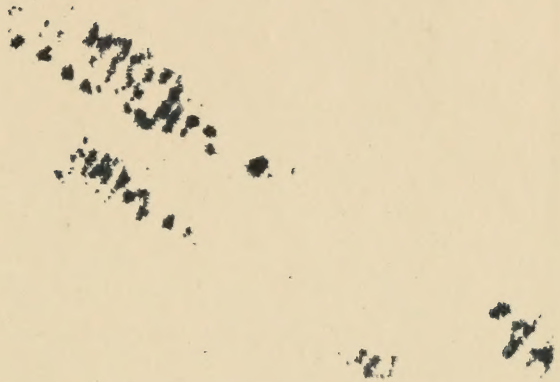

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